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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence
Deputy Director of Central Intelligence

FROM:

Chief, Interdepartmental Affairs Staff

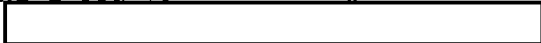
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SUBJECT: Status Report on Interdepartmental Group Activities (U)

General

1. The pace of NSC and SIG discussions is likely to accelerate in the coming weeks with the President's return to Washington and decisions pending on strategic programs, defense spending, TNF, and East-West trade and other issues. Some of these probably will be handled in NSPG or less formal meetings. (S)

TNF


2. The TNF IG met again on 26 August and failed to reach agreement on a negotiating approach. State is drafting a paper outlining the differences for IG consideration tomorrow and a SIG is tentatively scheduled for Wednesday, 2 September. (Action officer: )

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East-West Trade

3. At a SIG meeting on 24 August it was agreed that Commerce would chair an interagency study to prepare cable instructions for a full COCOM meeting, that Defense and State (with DoE and CIA assistance) would complete a study of the security aspects of the Yamal Pipeline, and that the NSC staff would send an options paper on controls on oil and gas technology to the President. The cable will be coordinated with SIG participants tomorrow, the CIA input to the State/Defense paper is due 4 September, and comments on the option paper are due today. The SIG will meet again in mid or late September. (Action officer: Hans Heymann, NIO/USSR-EE). (S)

Narcotics

4. On 17 August, five Agency officers briefed Michael Uhlmann, Special Assistant to the President for Policy Development, on narcotics intelligence matters. Uhlmann plans to request a CIA briefing for the President prior to a major policy statement on crime on 1 October. (Action officer: )

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Central America

5. The update on Central America, originally scheduled for NSC consideration on 17 August, has still not been rescheduled. The NSC staff expects it to be taken up soon, however, in view of Duarte's scheduled visit from 16 to 19 September. (Action officer: [] OPA/LA). (C)

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MBFR/NATO Modernization

6. An IG meeting on 26 August resulted in a directive for further studies (none levied on CIA). No SIG or NSC action is expected until the studies are completed late next month. (Action officer: [] C/SR/TF). (S)

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China

7. The draft Presidential Directive on arms sales and technology transfer has been forwarded to the President by Secretaries Haig and Weinberger. No further action is anticipated. (Action officer: Charles Neuhauser, NIO/EA). (S)

Taiwan

8. The guidelines on Taiwan policy were approved by the President on 20 August; no further action is required. (Action officer: Charles Neuhauser, NIO/EA). (S)

Poland

9. Disagreements about aid to Poland continue, with no NSC consideration scheduled before mid or late September. The NSC staff is interested in an analysis of the impact on the Polish economy of "worker management" and other reforms proposed by Solidarity. (Action officer: Hans Heymann, NIO/USSR-EE). (S)

Caribbean Basin

10. No NSC or SIG action is planned, but the NSC staff is encouraging agencies to revive analysis on the initiative. They are interested in an assessment of the economic and political factors that would affect U.S. policy in the basin. (C)

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Other Issues

11. There has been no action in the past week on the several other issues in the NSC/SIG queue:

--East-West policy study.

--Policy toward Panama.

--Visit of Prime Minister Begin.

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--Biological and chemical warfare.

The NSC staff expects continuing discussions on strategic weapon programs and the defense budget, but no formal NSC or SIG deliberations are scheduled. Follow-up discussions are likely at the working level, and possibly at the policy level, on AWACS and the situations in Iran and North Yemen. (S)

12. Please indicate on the attached check list if you would like a more detailed memo or a meeting with the action officer on any of these issues. (U)

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Central America	_____	_____	
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Modernization	_____	_____	
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